

Lowell Public Schools



REPORT ON STATUS OF OUTSTANDING MOTIONS

Report on Motions: September 4, 2019

ON-GOING REPORTS

Overtime & Extra Payments: Reported monthly
Lowell High School Advisory: October 2 nd , December 18 th , March 18 th , May 20 th ,
Recognize Retirees: Every June
School Maintenance Report: Every June
Annual Report on Textbook Purchases: Every August

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

	DATE OF MOTION	MOTION	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	STATUS
1. SUPT	06/19/19	<u>Additional Chapter 70 funding</u> [by Gerard Nutter]: School Committee vote to delete existing "wish list" of priorities established for additional Chapter 70 funding and instead for the July meeting, request the new Superintendent provide School Committee with proposals recommending how he see's any additional Chapter 70 funding would be used.		



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OFFICE OF THE ASST. SUPERINTENDENT – FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

	DATE OF MOTION	MOTION	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	STATUS
1. FO	11/16/16	<u>Establish Monthly Meeting Dates</u> [by Jacqueline Doherty]: Respectfully request the Superintendent work with the School Committee and City Council Subcommittees on Facilities to establish monthly meeting dates to address the ongoing issues concerning maintenance of our school buildings.		
2. FO	01/17/18	<u>Special Task Force LHS Stipends</u> [by Andre Descoteaux]: Request the superintendent to establish a Special Task Force to review and recommend updates to the current LHS stipends, including but not limited to: Athletic Coaching, Student clubs, Band, and Chorus.		Task Force Established 09/28/18 Update provided 04/20/19
3. FO	04/04/18	<u>Salvaged Equipment</u> [by Andre Descoteaux]: Ask the Superintendent to request an evaluation of all current useful and/or new equipment that is currently in the High School. That equipment should be salvaged by us and not the demolition company.		Ongoing
4. FO	01/16/19	<u>Current Technology and Anticipated Needs</u> [by Dominik Lay]: Schedule a Technology Subcommittee meeting to review the district's current technology and assess anticipated needs for current and additional technology.		



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5. FO	04/03/19	<p><u>Assistance from Greater Lowell Technical</u></p> <p>[by Andy Descoteaux]: Ask the Superintendent to work with the City Manager to try and obtain the use of some of the Greater Lowell Technical students to help alleviate some of the open work orders that are overwhelming our city workers.</p>		
6. FO	04/03/19	<p><u>Next Maintenance of Effort Agreement</u></p> <p>[by Gerard Nutter]: School Committee vote to request City provide minimum 42% of their NET School spending requirement in the form of a cash contribution to the Lowell Public School System in the next Maintenance of Effort Agreement.</p>		
7. FO	04/03/19	<p><u>City CFO Attend SC Meeting</u></p> <p>[by Gerard Nutter]: School Committee request in the next Maintenance of Effort Agreement that the City CFO or their representative attend the 2nd School Committee meeting every January with a detailed report on Maintenance of Effort charges year to date and October with a detailed report on Maintenance of Effort charges for the previous school year.</p>		
8. FO	06/19/19	<p><u>Plans for shortfall</u></p> <p>[by Gerard Nutter]: In the event no additional Chapter 70 money becomes available, for the July meeting new Superintendent address plans to deal with the unprojected, unanticipated and unnecessary \$250,000 shortfall caused by the City in Water / Sewage charges.</p>		



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9. FO	07/17/19	<u>Closure of 2018/2019 Budget</u> [by Gerard Nutter]: Request Finance Subcommittee meet at 5:30 before August 21st School Committee meeting to review closure of 2018/2019 School Year and review how School Committee will be receiving monthly budget updates.		



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OFFICE OF THE ASST. SUPERINTENDENT – CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND ASSESSMENT

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1. CIA	07/17/19	<u>Teaching Cursive</u> [by Andy Descoteaux]: Ask the Superintendent to look into having our Art teachers incorporate teaching cursive to all of our students as part of their Art classes.		
2. CIA	07/17/19	<u>Blizzard Bags</u> [by Gerard Nutter]: With DESE cancelling the use of Blizzard Bags after the 2019-2020 school year and beyond, request the Administration to look into what possible alternatives may be in the works so that we don't run into the same problems we did a couple of years ago.		Completed 08/21/19
3. CIA	08/21/19	<u>Environmental Sciences Curriculum</u> [by Jacqueline Doherty]: Request the Superintendent provide the Committee with a report that highlights the LPS K-12 environmental sciences curriculum including any programs/grants offered through Project Learn or other outside entities, as well as school-based initiatives such as student recycling groups, etc.		



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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT – STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

	DATE OF MOTION	MOTION	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	STATUS
1. SSS	12/19/19	<u>Allocates Funds to Support Citywide</u> [by Jacqueline Doherty]: Lowell School Committee allocates funds to support Citywide Family Council per recommendations from Administration, beginning with 2019-2020 budget.		
2. SSS	08/21/19	<u>Revise Policy School Visits, Social Media & Fundraising</u> [by Gerard Nutter]: Request policy subcommittee meet with the administration before the two October School committee meetings to review/revise policy on school committee visits, social media, fundraising.		



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CITY COUNCIL MOTIONS

	DATE OF MOTION	MOTION	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	STATUS
1. CC	06/19/19	<p><u>Related Services and Fiscal Year Budget</u></p> <p>[by Gerard Nutter]: Request Mayor ask City Manager to reconsider charging School Department \$250,000 in Water / Sewage fee in light of the fact the City is Currently charging over \$33,000,000 of their required Net School Spending amount of \$49,626,890 for 'Related Services' and inquire why the City Manager's Office waited until after the passing of the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year Budget to inform the School Department and never provided any communication to the School Committee through the Mayor to inform them of these charges before the budget was approved.</p>		Forwarded to Mayor Samaras 06/21/19
2. CC	06/19/19	<p><u>Air Quality Audit at LHS</u></p> <p>[by Gerard Nutter]: Request Mayor to ask Massachusetts Department of Public Health do a full air quality Audit at LHS in July and Request City Manager to have Lowell Health, Sanitation, Electric, Fire, Code and Building Inspectors fully inspect every school building in Lowell beginning at the end of the School Year and provide School Department / School Committee with copy of Inspection Reports by August 1st along with plan to address any issues before the start of the new school year.</p>		Forwarded to Mayor Samaras 06/21/19
3. CC	08/21/19	<p><u>Remotely SC Meeting Participation</u></p> <p>[by Gerard Nutter]: Request Advisory from City Solicitor's office on process/procedures to allow any School Committee member to participate in Regular/Special School Committee meetings remotely via Telephone/Facetime or Skype.</p>		Sent to Mayor 08.26.19